

### WORSHIP NOTES

If you are a guest today, please sign our guest book! Welcome here! We're very glad you came!

**Children in Worship:** We welcome and encourage children to share in worship. Even very young children see faith in action as we pray and sing and commune together. Children's lessons are available at both entrances, or by checking with any of the ushers.

**Communion:** If you are unable to reach the serving pastor during communion - they can come to you. Please let an usher know and they will make sure you receive communion.

**Need A Helping Hand?** If you or someone you know needs assistance getting in or out of the church, please let us know. We're happy to arrange help - Your church family is here for you! Contact the office at [office@stpaulsteinbach.org](mailto:office@stpaulsteinbach.org) or (204) 326-3758.

**Hearing Assistance:** Devices are available at the sound booth.

**Large Print Bulletins** are available. Please ask an usher for one for yourself or a loved one!

**Cell Phones and Pagers:** Should be turned to silent.

**Washrooms:** located in the narthex and Education Wing, upstairs and down.

**Elevator:** located next to the church office.

**Accessibility & Safety:** As snow melts and creates ice, please drop off those with mobility needs at the side canopy doors and ask an usher for wheelchair assistance if needed.

**Drop Box:** The drop box at the side entrance nearest to the office remains available for envelopes or small items.

**Office Hours:** 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday

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## God Pause

### Devotion

Perhaps Jesus' journey passed from pasturelands to fields of grain. Different images, yet the same creator God. Perhaps Jesus saw persons wounded by religious leaders who misused community for the sake of power. Perhaps Jesus saw persons longing for religious teaching that inspired authentic faith, life-giving hope, and lasting peace. Jesus' perceptions of the crowds around him—then and now—invite those first disciples and us to pray, and then to do something. To be sure, this reading invites questions. Why did Jesus limit where the disciples were to go? What does casting out demons look like in our day? And then we consider again this week's key question: How vast is God's pasture and who decides who gets to be included in that pasture? We get to hear answers to these questions and prayers in Jesus' final words in Matthew's Gospel, "All authority is given to me! Go!"

### Prayer

Thank you, O God, for the persons you sent to show me your love for me, too. Open my heart, transform my will, so that the persons you send my way this day, may see in me that you love them, too. Amen.

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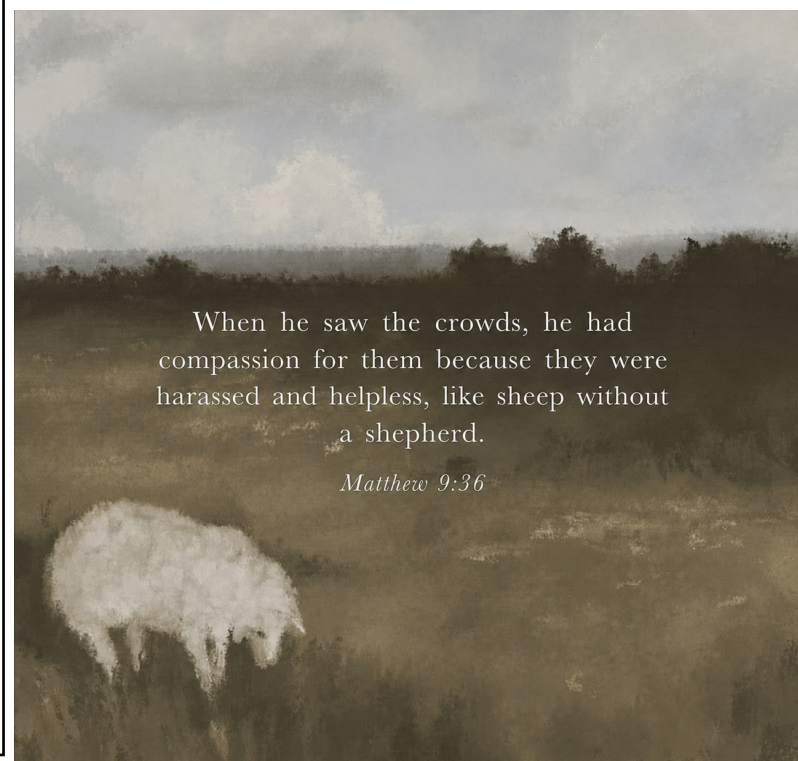
### COMING HOME QUESTIONNAIRE - FINAL SUNDAY

As part of the Five Year Plan, Church Council invites everyone to complete the Coming Home Questionnaire. **This is the final Sunday** the questionnaires will be available. If you have not yet done so, please complete a form and return it to the office. Thank you—your input is appreciated.

### A CUP OF COMMUNITY

Have you seen our new welcome gift? It's a lovely mug, pen and notebook. If you're visiting us, please let one of our ushers know so that you can take one home. If you're a St. Paul's regular, and would like one, they are also available to purchase. Check in with Tanisha in the office to find out how.

**ATTENDANCE: June 7th**  
**Traditional Service - 101**  
**Family Service - 31**  
**Sunday School - 26**  
**OFFERING: \$4,595.00**



When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

*Matthew 9:36*

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, June 14th**  
**10:00 AM - Family Service**  
**Church Picnic following Service**

**Monday, June 15th**  
**6:30 PM - Junior Youth**

**Wednesday, June 17th**  
**6:30 PM - Young Adults**

**Thursday, June 18th**  
**6:30 PM - Senior Youth**

**Sunday, June 21st - Worship in the City**  
**10:00 AM - Traditional Service**



### HOLY COMMUNION

God feeds and renews us with the presence of Jesus Christ. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. In response to the Lord's invitation I come - confessing my sin, trusting that the Lord is truly present, believing that to receive Him is to receive forgiveness - to partake of the Lord's Supper. People of all ages and faith communities are welcome.

Holy Communion is served in a **Continuous Format** today. Participants are asked to fill out a registration card, available in the pews or at both entrances, and place them in the baskets at the entrances, or in the offering plates.

Ushers will direct you toward the aisle to come forward to the serving stations. If you desire to commune, extend your hand to the server who will place a wafer in your hand. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply say "gluten-free" to the server. Wine is served from the chalice or individual cups; white grape juice is served from individual cups.

Come and hold in your hand and taste on your lips the love we cannot comprehend.

### OUR MISSION

**God's purpose for St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church is: Accepting all people through God's grace, sharing our faith in Christ, and making disciples.**

**For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast.**

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 14TH, 2026

## Welcome & Announcements

**Gathering Song:** *“This Is The Day”*

### Responsive Reading: Psalm 100

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands! Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God’s presence with a song.

**C: Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong; we are God’s people and the sheep of God’s pasture.**

L: Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God’s holy name.

**C: Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

### Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose compassion endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin to God. Compassionate God,

**C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.**

L: Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love.

**C: Amen.**

### Prayer of the Day

L: God of compassion,

**C: you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### Rite of Baptism

**Song:** *“Speak O Lord”*

**GOD’S WORD:** Rachel Perry

### FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-8a

<sup>2</sup>[The Israelites] journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.<sup>3</sup>Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: <sup>4</sup>‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup>but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”<sup>7</sup>So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8a</sup>The people all answered as one, “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35-10:8 [9-23]

**C: Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” <sup>10:1</sup>Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. <sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [<sup>9</sup>Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup>Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup>As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. <sup>16</sup>“I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup>Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, <sup>18</sup>and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the gentiles. <sup>19</sup>When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you at that time, <sup>20</sup>for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup>Sibling will betray sibling to death and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all

because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in this town, flee to the next, for truly I tell you, you will not have finished going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”]

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### Message

**Song:** *“By Faith”*

### Prayers of the People

### Sharing of the Peace

**Offering Song:** *Instrumental*

### Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray together,

**C: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

### The Table

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Song:** *“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”*

L: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

L: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

L: Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**C. Amen.**

### The Lord’s Prayer

### Invitation to Communion

L: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

### Communion Songs

*“Come To The Table”*

*“Communion”*

*“Remembrance Of You”*

*We Receive”*

### Blessing

L: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

### Post-Communion Prayer

L: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### The Benediction

L: May our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

**C: Amen.**

**Sending Song:** *“We Receive Your Blessing & Doxology”*

### Dismissal

L: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### PRAYER REMINDERS

In your prayers this week, please remember: Mario & Kayla Dupont, Dalia Dyck, Pastor Jack Frederick, Chris Funk, Ben Funk, Dora Gerbrandt, Ed Harder, Tina Heckert, Linda James, Gail Karman, Val & Nathan Kehler, Ruth Ketter, Paul Kletke, Amanda Lanteigne, Ed Lowen, Rick Martins, Mary Pelletier, Gordon & Iris Pylypjuk, Helmuth Renz, Tony Sawatzky, Ray Schalla, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, Kathy Wintoniw (Abby & Julia), and Bishop Geoff Woodcroft.

### HOLY BAPTISM

Today we welcome into the family of God through baptism **Rory Danica McLachlan**, daughter of Dylan and Janelle McLachlan, and Godchild to Jared and Corliss Friesen. *“Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from Him.” Psalm 127:3*

### IN CELEBRATION

The flowers on the Altar have been placed by Lloyd & Cathy Pachal and Allen & Lorette McLachlan, in celebration of the baptism of their grand-daughter **Rory Danica McLachlan**. *“Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” Matthew 19:14*

### CONTINUING A CARING MINISTRY

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Lloyd Barkman for faithfully delivering food to The Urban over the past several years. We are grateful for his dedicated service. As he is no longer able to continue, we are looking for someone who may be willing to take on these deliveries using their own vehicle, with gas reimbursement provided. The food supplies are greatly appreciated by The Urban, and so will be this important service. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

### ATTN: ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS

**You have mail!** (: Please check your mailbox for the second revised Altar Guild schedule. Hopefully all errors are now corrected.

### BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study has wrapped up for the summer. Thank you to everyone who participated—we’re grateful for the time spent learning and growing together!

